

**INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT  
THURSDAY, JULY 29, 2004 – 0530 MDT  
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL 3**

**CURRENT SITUATION:**

Initial attack activity was moderate in the Northern California Area and light elsewhere. Nationally, 159 new fires were reported. Three new large fires were reported, one each in Northern California, Northern Rockies and the Northwest Areas. Three large fires were contained, one each in Eastern Great Basin, Northwest and Southern Areas. Very high to extreme fire indices were reported in Alaska, Arizona, California, Minnesota, Montana, Nevada, Oregon, Utah and Washington.

**NORTHWEST AREA LARGE FIRES:**

LOG SPRINGS, Warm Springs Agency, Bureau of Indian Affairs. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (West) is assigned. This fire is 21 miles northwest of Warm Springs, OR in timber and heavy downed fuels. Torching, spotting and short runs with six to eight foot flame lengths were observed. Tribal Highway 9 remains closed.

POT PEAK COMPLEX, Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest. A Type 1 Interagency Incident Management Team (Lohrey) is assigned. This complex, comprised of the Pot Peak, Deep Harbor, Pyramid and the SiSi Ridge fires, is 15 miles northwest of Chelan, WA in timber, litter and understory. The Pot Peak fire reported smoldering and creeping. Deep Harbor and SiSi Ridge fires reported moderate activity.

DOWNEY CREEK, Mt. Baker-Snoqualmie National Forest. This fire is 16 miles northeast of Darrington, WA in timber and brush. Reduction in acreage is due to more accurate mapping. No further information was received. This will be the last report unless new information is received.

RATTLESNAKE PEAK, Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest. A Fire Use Management Team (Bonfeld) has been ordered. This fire is 40 miles west of Yakima, WA in timber, litter and understory. Active fire behavior was observed.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
LOG SPRINGS	OR	WSA	7,500	30	UNK	680	22	45	4	0	775K
POT PEAK COMPLEX	WA	OWF	15,790	50	UNK	597	18	6	10	0	12.7M
DOWNEY CREEK	WA	MSF	100	0	UNK	1	0	0	0	0	NR
RATTLESNAKE PEAK	WA	OWF	200	0	UNK	13	0	0	1	0	30K
LAUDERDALE	WA	SES	250	100	---	442	19	23	0	3	803K

SES = Washington State Department of Natural Resources – Southeast

**ALASKA AREA LARGE FIRES:**

BOUNDARY, Fairbanks Area Forestry, Alaska Division of Forestry. A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Anderson) is assigned. This fire is 20 miles northeast of Fairbanks, AK in black spruce and tundra. Minimal fire behavior was observed throughout most of the fire area with isolated areas of torching and active burning in hardwood and spruce stands.

TAYLOR HIGHWAY COMPLEX, Tok Area Forestry, Alaska Division of Forestry. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Bateman) is assigned. This complex, comprised of the Billy Creek, Gardiner Creek, Chicken and Porcupine fires, is 35 miles northwest of Tok, AK in black spruce and tundra. The Chicken fire is in monitor status. Higher humidity has moderated fire behavior.

CENTRAL COMPLEX, Upper Yukon Zone, Bureau of Land Management. A transfer of command from Furlong/Gormley's Type 2 Incident Management Team to a Type 3 organization will occur today. This complex, comprised of the Middle Birch Creek, Preacher Creek, Rock Creek, Crazy, Bolgen Creek, Big Bluff, Takoma Bluff and a portion of the Wolf Creek fires, is 15 miles southwest of Circle, AK in spruce and hardwoods. Minimal fire behavior with isolated torching was observed.

WOLF CREEK, Upper Yukon Zone, Bureau of Land Management. This fire is 60 miles northeast of Fairbanks, AK in black spruce and hardwoods. Minimal fire activity with isolated interior torching was reported.

CAMP CREEK, Delta Area Forestry, Alaska Division of Forestry. This fire is 23 miles northeast of Delta Junction, AK in tundra and spruce. Portions of the fire are now in limited suppression status and will be monitored. Minimal fire activity with some individual torching was reported.

PINGO, Upper Yukon Zone, Bureau of Land Management. This fire is five miles north of the village of Venetie, AK in black spruce, hardwoods and tundra. Low to moderate fire behavior with occasional flare-ups was observed.

AGGIE 2, Fairbanks Area Forestry, Alaska Division of Forestry. This fire is 25 miles north of Fox, AK in spruce and hardwoods. Minimal fire behavior in duff was observed.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
BOUNDARY	AK	FAS	503,362	30	UNK	606	10	9	7	15	14.2M
TAYLOR HIGHWAY COMPLEX	AK	TAS	865,430	15	UNK	265	5	2	5	6	5.5M
CENTRAL COMPLEX	AK	UYD	258,700	0	UNK	201	4	6	2	3	2.3M
WOLF CREEK	AK	UYD	197,067	10	9/30	74	2	0	2	7	3.2M
CAMP CREEK	AK	DAS	150,223	75	8/15	112	4	0	2	3	2.6M
PINGO	AK	UYD	285,885	10	UNK	110	5	0	2	1	NR
AGGIE 2	AK	FAS	2,500	45	7/31	95	5	0	0	0	299K

### NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA LARGE FIRES:

SIMS, Six Rivers National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Jameson/Szczepanik) is assigned. This fire is seven miles northwest of Hyampon, CA in timber, brush and grass. Urban interface in the local area is a major concern. Active fire behavior with flame lengths of up to 15 feet, periods of crown fire and long range spotting was observed. Evacuations of local ranches and isolated residences have occurred.

STRAYLOR, Lassen-Modoc Unit, California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection. This fire is 20 miles southeast of Fall River Mills, CA in timber, litter and understory. Heavy fuels continue to burn in the interior.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
SIMS	CA	SRF	2,000	0	UNK	NR	17	35	4	1	NR
STRAYLOR	CA	LMU	3,422	95	7/29	1,821	70	82	10	0	9.1M

### WESTERN GREAT BASIN AREA LARGE FIRES:

ROBBERS, Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest. A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Sexton) is assigned. This fire is 26 miles northwest of Las Vegas, NV in timber and brush. Moderate fire behavior with little spread was reported. State Highways 156, 157 and 158 remain closed. Reduction in acreage is due to more accurate mapping.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
ROBBERS	NV	HTF	290	40	7/30	458	7	36	5	0	760K
PATTERSON - WFU	NV	ELD	170	N/A	N/A	5	0	1	0	0	16K

ELD = Ely Field Office, Bureau of Land Management

### SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA LARGE FIRES:

MEADOW COMPLEX, Yosemite National Park. A Fire Use Management Team (Cook) is assigned. This lightning-caused Wildland Fire Use (WFU) incident, located four miles southeast of Yosemite Valley, CA in timber, is being managed to accomplish resource objectives and consists of the Meadow, Jay, River, and several other small fires. The Meadow fire reported limited surface fire spread with isolated torching and short range spotting. Other fires in the complex reported smoldering and creeping with no appreciable growth. Trail closures remain in effect.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
MEADOW COMPLEX – WFU	CA	YNP	5,176	N/A	N/A	155	3	0	2	0	1.7M

### EASTERN AREA LARGE FIRES:

SECTION 33, Voyageurs National Park. A Fire Use Management Team (Hall) is assigned. This lightning-caused Wildland Fire Use (WFU) incident, located 25 miles southeast of International Falls, MN in balsam, spruce and pine, is being managed to accomplish resource objectives. No new information was reported.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
SECTION 33-WFU	MN	VOP	675	N/A	N/A	30	1	0	1	0	25K

### NORTHERN ROCKIES AREA LARGE FIRES:

MIKES CREEK, Dakota Prairie National Grasslands. This fire is 20 miles north of Medora, ND in timber, grass and understory. Creeping fire behavior was reported.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
MIKES CREEK	ND	DPF	100	60	7/30	106	1	13	1	0	40K

### SOUTHWEST AREA LARGE FIRES:

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
TRANSFER - WFU	AZ	KNF	230	N/A	N/A	6	0	2	0	0	5K

KNF = Kaibab National Forest

### SOUTHERN AREA LARGE FIRES:

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
VASTAR	TX	MCR	1,500	100	---	15	0	4	1	0	NR

MCR = McFaddin National Wildlife Refuge

### EASTERN GREAT BASIN AREA LARGE FIRES:

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
JONES	UT	DIF	710	100	---	76	2	0	4	0	345K

DIF = Dixie National Forest

### OUTLOOK:

**Weather Discussion:** Northwest flow will continue for another day across the Northern Rockies. A few disturbances in the flow will continue to produce showers and thunderstorms from central Wyoming southward into New Mexico. West of this area, conditions will be dry and warm especially across California and the Northwest. In Alaska, low pressure will continue to bring beneficial showers and higher humidity.

Geographic Area Weather	High Temperatures	Minimum Relative Humidity	Wind
<b>NORTHWEST AREA</b> Cloudy along the coastal strip. Otherwise sunny.	70s to mid 80s western Washington. 90s southwest Oregon. Mid 80s to mid 90s eastern Oregon and Washington.	<b>West of Cascades:</b> 30 to 50% north. 20 to 40% southwest Oregon. <b>East of Cascades:</b> 10 to 20%.	20 to 25 on the south Oregon coastal sections. Elsewhere, northwest 7 to 15 mph.
<b>ALASKA AREA</b> <b>Interior:</b> Mostly cloudy with scattered showers.	<b>Interior:</b> Upper 50s to mid 60s.	<b>Interior:</b> Above 40%.	<b>Interior:</b> Southwest to west 5 to 15 mph.

<p><b>NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA</b> Night and morning coastal fog and low clouds. Otherwise, mostly clear skies with some afternoon cumulus over higher terrain.</p>	<p>60s to 70s coast. 80s to 90s inland. Near 100 valleys.</p>	<p>8 to 18% east of the Cascade-Sierra crest. 12 to 25% other inland areas. 60% near the coast.</p>	<p>Southwest to northwest 4 to 12 mph with afternoon gusts 16 to 22 mph Cascade/ Sierra eastward and west of the coast range.</p>
<p><b>NORTHERN ROCKIES AREA</b> <b>West of Continental Divide:</b> Mostly sunny. <b>East of Continental Divide:</b> Cooler with isolated thunderstorms southwest mountains and in North Dakota.</p>	<p><b>West of Continental Divide:</b> 85 to 95. <b>East of Continental Divide:</b> 65 to 75. 70s mountains.</p>	<p><b>West of Continental Divide:</b> 8 to 15%. <b>East of Continental Divide:</b> 40 to 50%.</p>	<p><b>West of Continental Divide:</b> Slope/Valley winds 5 to 10 mph. <b>East of Continental Divide:</b> Northwest to north 5 to 15 mph.</p>
<p><b>EASTERN GREAT BASIN</b> <b>Idaho, Bridger-Teton:</b> Mostly sunny with light west winds. A slight chance of thunderstorms in western Wyoming. <b>Utah, Arizona Strip:</b> Partly cloudy with isolated to widely scattered wet and dry thunderstorms, mainly over the mountains.</p>	<p><b>Idaho, Bridger-Teton:</b> 63 to 85 mountains. 85 to 95 valleys. <b>Utah and Arizona Strip:</b> 75 to 89 mountains. 90 to 106 valleys. 106 to 112 Lake Mead.</p>	<p><b>Idaho, Bridger-Teton:</b> 18 to 32% mountains. 10 to 20% valleys. <b>Utah, Arizona Strip:</b> 15 to 29% mountains. 7 to 20% valleys.</p>	<p><b>Idaho, Bridger-Teton:</b> West to northwest 5 to 10. <b>Utah, Arizona Strip:</b> Southwest 10 to 20 mph in southwest Utah. Variable 5 to 10 mph elsewhere.</p>
<p><b>SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA</b> Areas of morning low clouds and fog coastal areas. Otherwise, mostly sunny.</p>	<p>70 to 80 coastal areas. 75 to 90 mountains. 85 to 95 valleys. 90 to 100 upper deserts. 100 to 110 lower deserts.</p>	<p>25 to 40% valleys. 10 to 25% mountains. 8 to 15% deserts.</p>	<p>Southwest to northwest 10 to 20 mph.</p>
<p><b>WESTERN GREAT BASIN AREA</b> Mostly sunny with isolated dry thunderstorm northeast.</p>	<p>88 to 98 north valleys. 95 to 105 south valleys. 75 to 91 mountains.</p>	<p>5 to 12% south. 6 to 15% north. 12 to 22% mountains.</p>	<p>North: West at 10 mph with localized gusts 25 to 30 mph. South: Southwest to west at 10 mph with gusts to 20 mph.</p>



[http://www.nifc.gov/sixminutes/dsp\\_sixminutes.php](http://www.nifc.gov/sixminutes/dsp_sixminutes.php)

**TOPIC OF CHOICE**

**FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:**

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES		0	0		2		2
	ACRES		125	6,274		15,799		22,198
Northwest	FIRES	1	2			14	7	24
	ACRES	5	23			8	12	48
Northern California	FIRES	1				13	4	18
	ACRES	0				259	153	412
Southern California	FIRES		1			25	5	31
	ACRES		12			30	9	51
Northern Rockies	FIRES	2				3	7	12
	ACRES	1				0	44	45
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	1	3			1	5	10
	ACRES	0	32			0	1	33
Western Great Basin	FIRES		3		1	2		6
	ACRES		35		0	1		36
Southwest	FIRES		1				21	22
	ACRES		1				4	5
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	2	6			1	1	10
	ACRES	173	150			0	4	327
Eastern Area	FIRES					2		2
	ACRES					1		1
Southern Area	FIRES					22		22
	ACRES					55		55
TOTAL	FIRES	7	16	0	1	85	50	159
	ACRES	179	378	6,274	0	16,153	227	23,211

**FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:**

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	5	57	65	20	356	8	511
	ACRES	6,065	1,068,027	1,034,636	29,386	2,288,222	1	4,426,337
Northwest	FIRES	247	158	25	27	1,046	555	2,058
	ACRES	9,920	1,987	175	56	7,243	16,690	36,071
Northern California	FIRES	83	32	8	21	1,706	644	2,494
	ACRES	119	421	17	2	13,656	1,983	16,198
Southern California	FIRES	35	68	18	37	2,003	438	2,599
	ACRES	667	5,069	1,796	28	55,279	5,834	68,673
Northern Rockies	FIRES	831	37	18	12	526	362	1,786
	ACRES	4,272	1,345	1,061	3	10,545	3,622	20,848
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	23	567	6	28	293	372	1,289
	ACRES	70	26,033	11	34	4,273	2,908	33,329
Western Great Basin	FIRES	9	392	2	11	53	72	539
	ACRES	153	15,649	1,056	0	6,040	5,870	28,768
Southwest	FIRES	559	114	3	60	589	1,219	2,544
	ACRES	4,971	4,856	201	513	6,532	284,912	301,985
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	244	338	32	37	309	299	1,259
	ACRES	3,823	4,022	1,168	31	20,391	4,285	33,720
Eastern Area	FIRES	489		47	28	6,156	421	7,141
	ACRES	5,094		2,335	109	54,472	5,562	67,572
Southern Area	FIRES	127		55	42	24,283	557	25,064
	ACRES	15,795		7,488	1,067	312,856	73,172	410,378
TOTAL	FIRES	2,652	1,763	279	323	37,320	4,947	47,284
	ACRES	50,949	1,127,409	1,049,944	31,229	2,779,509	404,839	5,443,879

<b>Ten Year Average Fires</b>	<b>51,955</b>
<b>Ten Year Average Acres</b>	<b>2,202,497</b>

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**PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:**

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES			1				1
	ACRES			0				0
Eastern Area	FIRES			2				2
	ACRES			830				830
Southern Area	FIRES			1			2	3
	ACRES			484			277	761
TOTAL	FIRES	0	0	4	0	0	2	6
	ACRES	0	0	1,314	0	0	277	1,591

**PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:**

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES					5		5
	ACRES					2,097		2,097
Northwest	FIRES	38	78	43	1		255	415
	ACRES	7,626	6,823	3,781	30		58,229	76,489
Northern California	FIRES	14	39	12	17		183	265
	ACRES	251	731	13,570	2,690		22,617	39,859
Southern California	FIRES		4	10	10		76	100
	ACRES		28	922	718		6,213	7,881
Northern Rockies	FIRES	37	8	74	3	45	366	533
	ACRES	1,885	2,631	12,502	1,046	3,066	42,523	63,653
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	1	22	3	3	17	48	94
	ACRES	149	5,134	547	1,102	1,490	16,754	25,176
Western Great Basin	FIRES		5	5			5	15
	ACRES		85	541			971	1,597
Southwest	FIRES	14	14	7	10		280	325
	ACRES	2,796	4,824	12,769	7,777		66,156	94,322
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	42	39	138	18	12	113	362
	ACRES	5,117	11,851	21,434	13,264	3,947	45,672	101,285
Eastern Area	FIRES	20		365	23	612	180	1,200
	ACRES	14,454		42,424	4,443	59,439	27,991	148,751
Southern Area	FIRES	51		139	73	393	1,101	1,757
	ACRES	8,503		58,470	66,152	212,745	993,160	1,339,030
TOTAL	FIRES	217	209	796	158	1,084	2,607	5,071
	ACRES	40,781	32,107	166,960	97,222	282,784	1,280,286	1,900,140

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**WFU FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:**

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES				2			2
	ACRES				52,221			52,221
Northwest	FIRES		34		2		47	83
	ACRES		0		1		166	167
Northern California	FIRES						3	3
	ACRES						0	0
Southern California	FIRES				5		2	7
	ACRES				4,309		222	4,531
Northern Rockies	FIRES				6		14	20
	ACRES				0		17	17
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES						23	23
	ACRES						55	55
Western Great Basin	FIRES		5		2			7
	ACRES		492		0			492
Southwest	FIRES				5		18	23
	ACRES				155		9,144	9,299
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		19		1	0	4	24
	ACRES		6,786		0	2,271	612	9,669
Eastern Area	FIRES			9	2		1	12
	ACRES			436	1,625		1	2,062
Southern Area	FIRES				1			1
	ACRES				3,007			3,007
TOTAL	FIRES	0	58	9	26	0	112	205
	ACRES	0	7,278	436	61,318	2,271	10,217	81,520

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**CANADA FIRES AND HECTARES:**

PROVINCES	FIRES YESTERDAY	HECTARES YESTERDAY	FIRES YEAR-TO-DATE	HECTARES YEAR-TO-DATE
British Columbia	50	0	1,517	151,847
Yukon Territory	7	36,596	236	1,368,706
Alberta	4	20,773	1,397	86,745
Northwest Territory	18	12,131	252	116,815
Saskatchewan	6	0	283	126,748
Manitoba	19	424	201	4,052
Ontario	14	24	251	1,452
Quebec	0	0	217	2,129
Newfoundland	0	0	115	8,375
New Brunswick	1	0	224	281
Nova Scotia	3	1	218	227
Prince Edward Island	0	0	18	15
National Parks	0	0	75	136,779
<b>Total</b>	<b>122</b>	<b>69,949</b>	<b>5,004</b>	<b>2,004,172</b>

**RESOURCES STATUS: COMMITTED RESOURCES**

AREA	CREWS FED	CREWS ST/OT	ENGS FED	ENGS ST/OT	HELI FED	HELI ST/OT	AIRT FED	AIRT ST/OT	OVRHD FED	OVRHD ST/OT
Alaska	27	14	5	12	13	11			331	294
Northwest	35	42	31	94	16	17	1		366	234
Northern California	45	66	70	96	9	11			122	220
Southern California	7		9		5				100	3
Northern Rockies	8		14	2	4				46	7
Eastern Great Basin	6	3	9	1	4	4			30	10
Western Great Basin	10	3	17	25	6				94	80
Southwest										
Rocky Mountain			7						3	2
Eastern Area		1			1				30	1
Southern Area			4			1			3	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>138</b>	<b>129</b>	<b>166</b>	<b>230</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1125</b>	<b>854</b>

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